## **BEFORE**

## THE PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF

## SOUTH CAROLINA

DOCKET NO. 90-305-C - ORDER NO. 90-505

MAY 9, 1990

IN RE: Request of Southern Bell Telephone and ) ORDER WITHDRAWING Telegraph Company for Approval of ) TARIFF AND Revisions to its Access Service Tariff ) CONSIDERING REQUEST (Ref. Tariff No. 90-27). ) TO INSTITUTE PROCEEDING

This matter comes before the Public Service Commission of South Carolina (the Commission) by way of a tariff filing on February 26, 1990, on behalf of Southern Bell Telephone and Telegraph Company (Southern Bell) wherein Southern Bell filed for approval of certain revisions to its Access Service Tariff. The purpose of the revisions was to allow for the provision of billing and collection services to clearinghouse agents for calls billed on behalf of properly certified COCOT providers.

Thereafter, a Petition to Intervene was filed on behalf of Coin Telephones, Inc., Pay Tel Communications, Inc. and Intellicall, Inc. The matter was duly scheduled for a hearing to commence May 8, 1990.

On April 25, 1990, Southern Bell filed a request to withdraw its tariff filing in this docket. The Intervenors filed a Petition to Disallow the Withdrawal of the proposed tariff revisions.

In considering the request of Southern Bell to withdraw its tariff and the Petition filed on behalf of the Intervenors, the Commission has determined that Southern Bell should be allowed to withdraw its filing in the instant docket. However, the Commission has determined that in the Petition to Intervene filed by the above-mentioned parties, certain issues were outlined for the Commission's consideration in this docket. Since Southern Bell has withdrawn its filing, the Commission will consider the Petition to Intervene with the issues listed by the Intervenors to be a request for the Commission to initiate a proceeding to determine whether Southern Bell should be required to provide billing and collection services for intraLATA calls placed through the COCOT telephone, whether COCOT providers must comply with all regulations applicable to interexchange carriers and alternate operator service providers, and whether COCOT providers should be required by Southern Bell to obtain an "appropriate . . . Identification Code" for transmittal to Southern Bell, and other such related issues. In light of the Commission's action herein, the hearing scheduled for Tuesday, May 8, 1990, is hereby cancelled and the parties will receive notice of the rescheduled hearing in which the COCOT parties will be movants and will have

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the burden of going forward with the issues raised in their initial Petition to Intervene.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

BY ORDER OF THE COMMISSION:

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ATTEST:

Deputy Executive Director

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